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As an amateur radio General Class licensee, I can see that allowing amateur radio licenses to have a user lifetime validation would save time and effort on the part of the FCC, the VECs and the licensees themselves. As there is no background check performed on the candidates, but rather the candidates usually retain their skills and talents using amateur radio throughout their lifetimes, this would make sense. Cost savings to the government would be significant, as the employees of the FCC would not be obliged to constantly process renewals for the amateur radio licenses, and the cost savings means the government could devote the money that is generated via the savings into other areas, such as development of more efficient means of electrical power generation, for example, or to invest in appropriate resources to properly enforce all FCC regulations in regards all radio services privileges across the spectrum.

Thank you for allowing me to submit.

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